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SUBJECT: CROATIA AGREES TO CO-HOST EXPORT CONTROL CONFERENCE

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B) STATE 156768

¶1. The GoC has accepted the USG invitation to co-host the ninth International Export Control Conference (reftels). MFA officials plan to propose dates in September 2008 for this event. Full text of GoC diplomatic note No. 586/08 dated 04 February 2008 follows in para 3.

¶2. The GoC POC for conference organization is head of MFA International Security Department Sanja Bujas-Juraga. Post POCs are PolOff Tom Selinger (selingertb@state.gov) and EXBS FSN Olga Kandrac (kandraco@state.gov).

¶3. Begin text:  
The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Croatia presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America in Zagreb and acknowledges receipt of the Embassy's Note No.061, dated November 28 2007, which extends an invitation for Croatia to co-host with the United States the Ninth International Export Control Conference.

Aware of the importance of effective export control of arms and dual use goods in prevention of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, the Republic of Croatia is honored to accept to co-host with the United States of America the Ninth International Export Control Conference.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia avails itself of this opportunity to renew the Embassy of the United States of America in Zagreb the assurances of its highest consideration.  
End text.

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